

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 2399**

January 9, 2008

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires all antifreeze sold in Tennessee containing at least 10 percent ethylene glycol to contain, and be labeled with, a bittering agent, effective July 1, 2008. Creates a Class C misdemeanor, punishable only by fine of \$50 per violation. Authorizes the Department of Agriculture to promulgate rules and regulations.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$4,500**

**Increase Local Govt. Revenue – Not Significant**

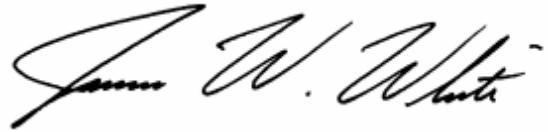
**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant**

#### Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Agriculture, anti-freeze inspections could be done in the course of regular inspections currently conducted by the department.
- Periodic testing and laboratory analysis would be required to ensure compliance.
- Sample analysis is estimated to cost \$50 per sample.
- The number of sample tests is estimated to be 50 per year.
- The cost for sample analysis is estimated to be \$2,500 per year (50 sample tests x \$50 cost per sample = \$2,500).
- Laboratory analysis would also require the purchase of the product and additional laboratory supplies estimated to be \$2,000 per year.
- The total increase of state expenditures is estimated to be \$4,500 per year (\$2,500 for sample analysis + \$2,000 for product and laboratory supplies = \$4,500).
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for local governments to experience any significant increase in revenues or expenditures.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

James W. White, Executive Director

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